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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)  
FY 2006**

(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)

Application Number		10/663,493-Conf. #2440	Docket Number (Optional)	SPINE 3.0-437 CPCPCPCPCPCPCICONI
For	INTERVERTEBRAL SPACER DEVICE HAVING AN ANGLED PERIMETER FORMANIPULATION USING ASURGICAL TOOL			
Art Unit	3738	Examiner	B. E. Pellegrino	

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

	Fee	Small Entity Fee	
<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450	\$225	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1020	\$510	\$ 1,020.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1590	\$795	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080	\$ _____

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

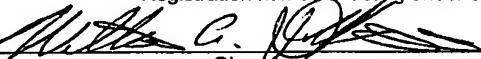
A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 12-1095. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the  applicant/inventor.  
 assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).  
 attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 58,653  
 attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.  
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 \_\_\_\_\_

  
Signature

November 10, 2006

Date

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NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

Total of 1 forms are submitted.

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Dated: November 10, 2006

Signature:



(William A. Di Bianca)